GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2136
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Tetanus Toxoid Medicine
Sampath Shri Anirudhan

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that medical companies have stopped production of the medicine for tetanus toxoid; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) & (b): The Government has not received any report regarding discontinuation of production of Tetanus Toxoid. As per the data available with National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Authority (NPPA), under the Department of Pharmaceuticals, which is mandated with the task of ensuring the availability of drugs, the medicine is being continuously sold by seven companies.
However, recently, shortage of 'Tetanus Toxoid Injection' was reported in Kerala. Accordingly, two major suppliers were directed to co-ordinate with the State Drug Controller, Kerala and rush the stock to the affected area to overcome the shortage.